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Mr. Kevin Willis
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Office of Airport Safety and Standards
800 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20591

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Re: New Orleans Lakefront Airport
Preliminary Application -
Airport Privatization Pilot Program

Dear Mr. Willis:

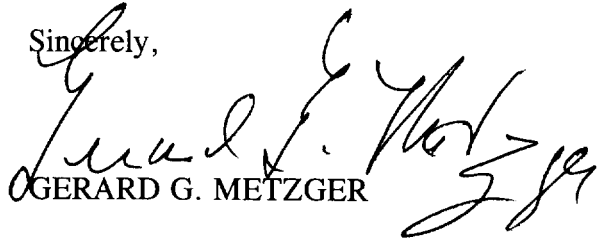
Yesterday the Board of Commissioners of the Orleans Levee District adopted a Resolution approving and ratifying the Preliminary Application for an Exemption under 49 U.S.C. 47134 for Privatization of the New Orleans Lakefront Airport, submitted to the Federal Aviation Administration and dated on March 1, 2000, and approving and ratifying the execution of the Preliminary Application by the Board's President, James P. Huey.

The Resolution will be signed by the Secretary within the next few days, and I will forward to you a certified copy of the Resolution. By copy of this letter to Max L. Hearn, Executive Director of the Orleans Levee District, I am requesting that he provide me with a certified copy of the Resolution so that I can forward same to you for the FAA Application File.

With this Resolution adopted by the Board, this should satisfy Item A contained in Mr. Bennett's letter of May 17, 2000. Please advise me if you need anything further on either this issue or any other matters addressed in Mr. Bennett's letter, or anything else necessary for the FAA to make a determination whether the New Orleans Lakefront Airport Preliminary Application is sufficient to qualify for a March 2nd filing date and acceptance for review by the FAA.

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With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

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cc: David L. Bennett, Director, Office of Airport Safety and Standards
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Hon. James P. Huey, President, OLD
Hon. Gen. James E. Livingston, Commissioner, OLD
Hon. Robert E. Smith-Lupo, Commissioner, OLD
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